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Reconsideration and reexamination of the application are requested. Claim 1 is amended. The amendments are supported by the original disclosure. No new matter has been added. Claims 1-2 and 5-7 remain pending.

Claims 6 and 7 are objected to for the reasons noted. Claim 6 is amended in the manner suggested by the Examiner. The amendment to claim 1 should resolve the objection to claim 7.

Claims 1-2 and 5-7 are rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by US 5,600,573 to Hendricks et al.

Claim 1 recites that when transmission of the application together with a program is required, processing the application by the server referring to the application definition file (ADF), followed by transmitting the processed application together with the program to which the application is relevant. Thus, the processed application is transmitted along with the program to which the processed application is relevant. Hendricks does not disclose or suggest at least this feature.

Hendricks does not transmit the processed application together with the program to which the application is relevant. The rejection indicates the contents data as programs, defined as a collection of advertisements, menus and audio-visual programming. Processed data is not transmitted together with the program to which the application is relevant. Hendricks discloses that the CAP 316 may receive information on incoming programs, such as the title and length (column 16, lines 29-30). However, the processed incoming program information is not transmitted together with the program to which the application is relevant.

For at least these reasons, claim 1 is patentable over Hendricks. Claims 2 and 5-7 depend from claim 1 and are patentable therewith and need not be separately distinguished. Applicant does not concede the rejections to the dependent claims.

In view of the above, early issuance of a notice of allowance is solicited. Any questions regarding this communication can be directed to the undersigned attorney, Curtis B. Hamre, Reg. No. 29,165 at (612) 455-3802.

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